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In re Application of	:	
Katz et al.	:	
Application No. 10/685,986	:	ON PETITION
Filed: October 14, 2003	:	
Attorney Docket No. 17610(BOT)	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.10(c), filed August 10, 2005, requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of October 14, 2003, rather than the presently accorded filing date of October 15, 2003.

Petitioner alleges that the application was deposited in Express Mail service on October 14, 2003. In support of the allegation, the petition is accompanied by a copy of Express Mail label No. EV295682761US, indicating a date-in of "10/14". Further, the label contains a United States Postal Service (USPS) stamp of October 14, 2003. The same Express Mail label number was placed on the original application papers located in the official file.

In view of the above, the petition is **granted**.

No petition fee is necessary.

This application file will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination to correct the filing date to October 14, 2003, and mail a corrected filing receipt.

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